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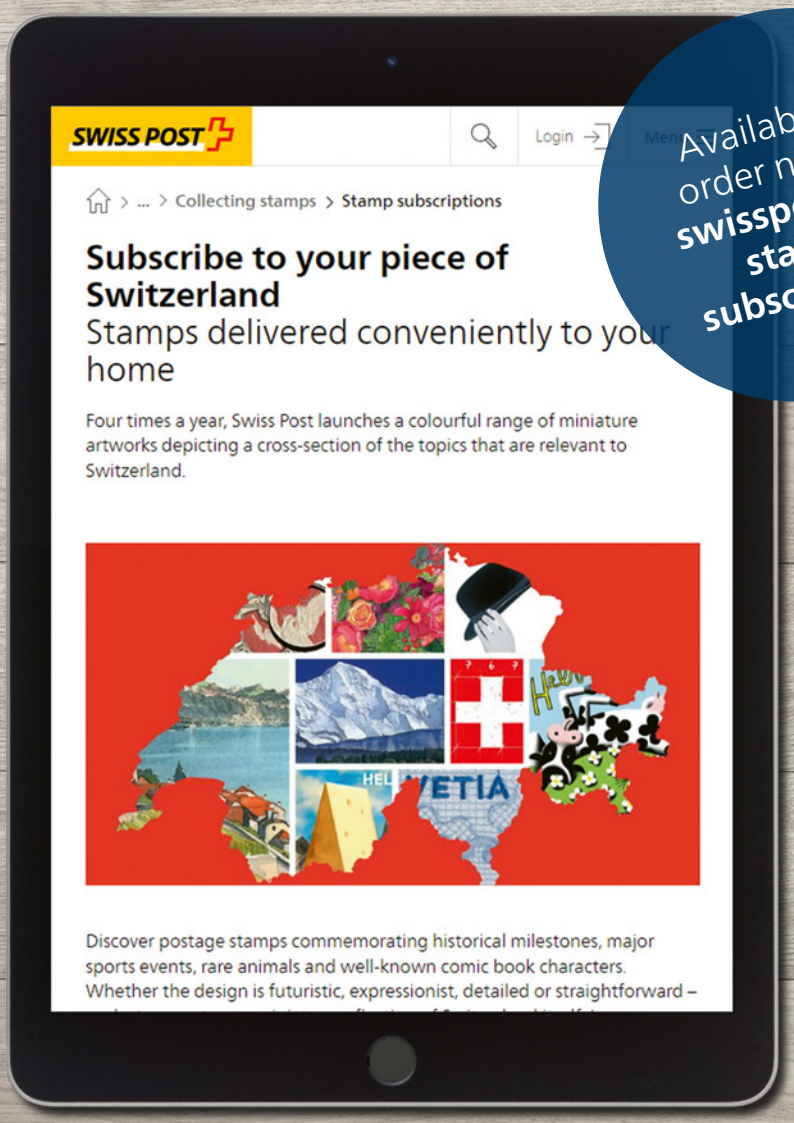
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Cover photo: Master chimney sweep and president Paul Grässli presents the stamp marking the 125th anniversary of the "Chimney Sweeper Switzerland" association.
Photo: Lena Schläppi

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Dear Reader

At the start of 2022, Swiss Post increased letter prices slightly – in agreement with the price regulator – for the first time in 18 years. This step will help to ensure that a high-quality universal service for letter and parcel consignments and for payment transactions can continue to be provided nationwide in Switzerland, without the support of subsidies or taxpayers' money. Just in time for the introduction of the new face values, we issued a new set of definitive stamps in early January 2022. These depict the beauty of specially selected Swiss river landscapes from all parts of the country.

Stamp lovers will find fascinating background information about these stamps inside the magazine. You can use the new, unique supplementary values to add to the stamps from recent years, which are still valid but have the old face values. This ensures that you can reach the values that now apply. And we've got lots more surprises in store for you to kick off the New Year: we've created a "Kiss" – or "Müntschi", to use the lovely term from the Bernese dialect. Or, in other words, a stamp to seal your letters with a kiss. There are also appealing new stamps for other special events, which will give your personal correspondence the special touch of a wonderful stamp design. For animal lovers, there's a series featuring delightful animals in their natural habitats. Elsewhere, we're paying tribute to the highly acclaimed graphic artist and former stamp designer Celestino Piatti by marking his 100th birthday with a stamp, and we're also celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Mummenschanz theatre and the 125th anniversary of the Chimney Sweeper Switzerland association.

There's plenty more fascinating information to be discovered by browsing through the new issue of our magazine. I hope you enjoy reading it.

Claudia Frankl
Head of Stamps & Philately

Issuing programme

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No.	Value	Description
1	1.10+0.55	**Miniature sheet** World exhibition HELVETIA 2022 Lugano
1	1.10	**Special stamp** National Jamboree
2	2.20	**Special stamps** EUROPA – Stories and Myths
	1.10	William Tell
	1.10	Pierced apple
2	3.00	**Special stamps with surcharge** Pro Patria – 100 years National Day badge
	0.90+0.45	1923–1972
	1.10+0.55	1973–2022
2	2.90	**Special stamps** Joint issue Switzerland–Croatia
	1.10	Lake Cauma
	1.80	Visovac Island
4	4.00	**Special stamps** Swiss Parks
	0.90	Beverin Nature Park
	0.90	Doubs Nature Park
	1.10	Gantrisch Nature Park
	1.10	Schaffhausen Nature Park
1	1.10	**Special stamp** Swiss Post's commitment to art
1	1.10	**Special stamp** 2030 Agenda for sustainable development
1	1.10	**Special stamp** 150 years LNM Navigation on the Three Lakes

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Exhibition cards and covers

International stamp exhibitions 2021

Unfortunately, only two of the five events that were planned for the year took place. As a result, we're taking the exceptional step of offering the cards and covers for the following exhibitions individually instead of as a set:

24–26.9.2021	St. Pölten, Austria	**MULTILATERALE & ÖVEBRIA 2021**
4–7.11.2021	Paris, France	**75th Salon Philatélique d'Automne**

St. Pölten

Paris

Product	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Exhibition cards		
St. Pölten, Austria	AK2101	2.75
Paris, France	AK2102	2.75
Exhibition covers		
St. Pölten, Austria	AU2101	2.75
Paris, France	AU2102	2.75

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Stamp set for children

Phila and Franco are back

The new stamp set contains 20 pages of games, fun and excitement about stamps. And the comic heroes Phila and Franco obviously feature again, too.

As well as the adventures of the two young philately friends, there are puzzles and craft activities. But children will also learn information about stamps, such as how to use tweezers. What are the best ways to store stamps? What stages does a stamp go through on its journey from sender to recipient? There are also eight stamps and three postcards to paint or colour in.

The cupcake recipe is a particular treat, and it's directly related to one of the stamps. Included in the set are:

- The owl design by Celestino Piatti
- The habitats of the snail and common kingfisher
- The chimney sweeper design
- The cupcake design as a greetings stamp

Four are cancelled and four are mint.

Swiss Post's stamp set for children is suitable for seven- to ten-year-olds and aims to help them discover the world of stamps. It is available from Postshop and larger Swiss Post branches as a single issue for 12 francs, and on subscription at **swisspost.ch/stamp-subscriptions**.

Stamp set for children 1/2022

Available from larger Swiss Post branches and at postshop.ch

Product	Art. no.	Price in CHF
Stamp set for children 1/2022		
German	A400 904	12.00
French	A400 905	12.00
Italian	A400 906	12.00

Special stamp

Kiss

In the run-up to Valentine's Day on 14 February, Swiss Post is issuing a "Kiss" stamp on 1 February. In the shape of puckered lips, it's not just ideal for love letters, but all kinds of warm and affectionate messages.

The Feast of St Valentine – a figure believed to represent various Christian martyrs – was established as a church festival in 469 and has been associated with romantic love since the 14th century. Lovers in England have declared their passion on this date since the 18th century. The tradition spread from there, initially within English-speaking countries and then throughout the world, partly due to the stationing of US soldiers.

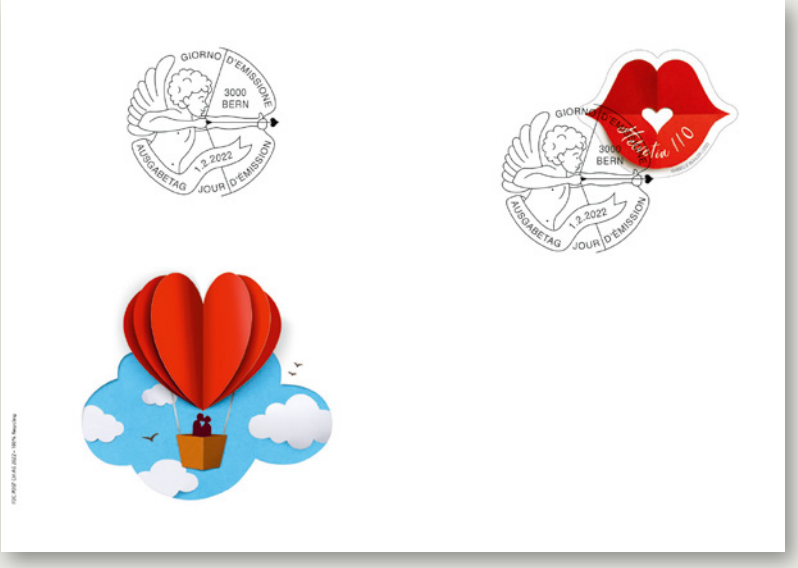
What's more romantic than a love letter? The new special stamp was created in the form of a kiss with a heart in the middle to give lovers a fitting way of franking their message. To achieve the desired effect, Zurich-based illustrator Isabelle Bühler firstly made the mouth from paper and then photographed it digitally from the right angle.

These self-adhesive stamps are perfect for sending correspondence such as wedding invitations.

Intermediate issue on 1 February 2022

Order using an order form or at postshop.ch

Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Single stamp	A394 150	A394 550	1.10
Block of four	A394 160	A394 560	4.40
Sheet of 10 stamps	A394 361	A394 381	11.00
Covers			
Single stamp on first-day cover C6		A394 580	2.00
Block of four on first-day cover C6		A394 630	5.30
Unstamped cover C6	A394 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A394 640	A394 650	1.90



Single stamp on first-day cover C6

Technical information	
Sales	Philately: from 25.1.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last Branches: from 1.2.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last
Validity	Unlimited from 1.2.2022
Printing	Offset, 4-colour; Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	Stamps: 33×26 mm Sheet: 82×198 mm (open), 82×99 mm (folded) (5 rows of 2 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm²
Perforation	Perforated along outline
Design	Isabelle Bühler, Uster

Marriage

Birth

Mourning

Congratulations

Special events

A large number of letters and cards sent privately relate to events such as a birthday, death, birth or wedding. Four new special stamp designs aim to cover as many of these special events as possible.

Letters still play a very important role in certain events. Who would send a wedding invitation by e-mail or post a death announcement on Instagram? That's why we've aimed to express the feelings and emotions associated with events such as mourning, birth, marriage, birthdays and exam results on the envelope as well as the stamp. Kriens-based designer Uwe Stettler chose traditional designs to hint at the content of the letter enclosed within the envelope.

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Set	A397 150	A397 550	4.00
Set of blocks of four	A397 160	A397 560	16.00
Sheet of 10 stamps			
0.90 Marriage	A397 361	A397 381	9.00
0.90 Birth	A397 362	A397 382	9.00
1.10 Mourning	A397 363	A397 383	11.00
1.10 Congratulations	A397 364	A397 384	11.00
Covers			
Set on first-day cover C6		A397 580	4.90
Single stamp on first-day cover C6 (4 covers)		A397 600	7.60
Block of four on first-day cover C6 (4 covers)		A397 630	19.60
Unstamped cover C6	A397 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A397 640	A397 650	4.80

Set on first-day cover C6

Technical information	
Sales	Philately: from 24.2.2022 until further notice Branches: from 3.3.2022 until further notice
Validity	Unlimited from 3.3.2022
Printing	Offset, 4-colour; Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	Stamps: 28×33 mm Sheet: 82×228 mm (open), 82×114 mm (folded), (5 rows of 2 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm²
Perforation	Serpentine cut (4 sides)
Design	Uwe Stettler, Kriens

Marriage: White doves are a symbol of peace, innocence, love and fidelity, which is why they have been chosen to indicate a wedding celebration.

Birth: Toys, picture books and play mats tell letter recipients that a new playmate has entered the world.

Mourning: The umbrella symbolizes compassion for those grieving. Protection from the rain represents the alleviation of suffering.

Congratulations: The cupcake is a contemporary design and the ideal stamp for birthday invites or exam success.

Snail

Common kingfisher

Bumblebee

Hazel dormouse

Animals in their habitats

Every child knows that most birds build nests and that foxes can hide down their holes. But how does a family of common kingfishers live? And what exactly does the inside of a bee nest look like? The "Animals in their habitats" special stamps feature the homes of four remarkable species.

The first depicts the brown-lipped snail, which carries its home around on its back and can be seen crawling at a leisurely pace over mossy terrain. It adorns the B Mail face value and is also a tongue-in-cheek reference to snail mail.

The common kingfisher was chosen for the A Mail value. These magnificent birds build their breeding burrows in vertical or slightly overhanging mud or sand walls near to bodies of water. Common kingfishers work together in their pairs to dig burrows of up to a metre in length.

Contrary to popular belief, bumblebees do not make honeycombs. Instead, they build nests in locations such as abandoned rodent nests, which can be found up to 1.5 metres below the ground. The stamp design depicts various wax chambers for eggs and larvae at different stages and wax cells with reserves of honey.

Finally, the hazel dormouse lives in nests found in low undergrowth. These nocturnal animals sleep during the day. To save energy, they enter a state of torpor for a few hours.

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Set	A399 150	A399 550	6.10
Set of blocks of four	A399 160	A399 560	24.40
Sheet of 10 stamps			
0.90 Snail	A399 361	A399 381	9.00
1.10 Common kingfisher	A399 362	A399 382	11.00
1.80 Bumblebee	A399 363	A399 383	18.00
2.30 Hazel dormouse	A399 364	A399 384	23.00
Covers			
Set on first-day cover C6		A399 580	7.00
Single stamp on first-day cover C6 (4 covers)		A399 600	9.70
Block of four on first-day cover C6 (4 covers)		A399 630	28.00
Unstamped cover C6	A399 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A399 640	A399 650	6.90
Stamp booklets			
10 "Snail" self-adhesive stamps	A399 300	A399 800	9.00
10 "Common kingfisher" self-adhesive stamps	A399 301	A399 801	11.00

Set on first-day cover C6

Technical information	
Sales	Philately: from 24.2.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last Branches: from 3.3.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last
Validity	Unlimited from 3.3.2022
Printing	Offset, 4-colour; Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	Stamps: 28×33 mm Sheet: 82×228 mm (open), 82×114 mm (folded), (5 rows of 2 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm²
Perforation	Serpentine cut (4 sides)
Design	Oreste Vinciguerra, Kriens

Special stamp

100 years Celestino Piatti

Celestino Piatti enjoyed a unique career in design in the 20th century: the designs created by the Swiss graphic artist and illustrator (1922–2007) have found their way into the collective consciousness. This new special stamp in large format pays homage to his graphic design and art.

Designing over 6,000 book covers for the "Deutscher Taschenbuch Verlag" between 1961 and the mid-1990s raised his profile tremendously – even if few people actually knew his name. Celestino Piatti also produced remarkable work as an advertising designer, creating unmistakable posters for brands such as Rolex, Gauloises and Campari. In addition to all of those achievements, he excelled as an author of children's books. One of his works – "The Happy Owls" – even became a bestseller worldwide.

Piatti was absolutely fascinated by owls, and he featured them heavily in his work. The original drawing of his writing owl (1968) provides the thematically apt design for this special stamp. The bird is sitting on the lettering "Helvetia 110" and looks as though it has just written the word with its quill.

Reference is made to Piatti's tradition of graphic craftsmanship through the bright green "Neocolor" background, which also gives the owl a modern, contemporary look.

More information about Celestino Piatti can be found at **www.celestino-piatti.ch**

Single stamp on first-day cover C6

Technical information	
Sales	Philately: from 24.2.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last Branches: from 3.3.2022 to 31.3.2023 or while stocks last
Validity	Unlimited from 3.3.2022
Printing	Offset, 4-colour; Gutenberg AG, Schaan, Liechtenstein
Sizes	Stamps: 32.5×40 mm Sheet: 160×192 mm (4 rows of 4 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, matt gummed, 110 gm²
Perforation	13 ¼ : 13 ¼
Design	Celestino Piatti † Graphical editing: Christian Stauffenegger, Basel

A1 poster

A1 poster

The cheerful stamp design is available as a limited run of 200 A1 posters on MultiArt Silk paper (135 gm²). The product is supplied unframed. The selling price of 29 francs includes shipping costs within Switzerland and Liechtenstein. Deliveries cannot be made abroad.

Don't miss out: limited issue of 200 items

Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Single stamp	A396 150	A396 550	1.10
Block of four	A396 160	A396 560	4.40
Sheet of 16 stamps	A396 111	A396 511	17.60
Covers			
Single stamp on first-day cover C6		A396 580	2.00
Block of four on first-day cover C6		A396 630	5.30
Unstamped cover C6	A396 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A396 640	A396 650	1.90
A1 poster			
Sheet size 840 × 594 mm, portrait	A396 900		29.00
The poster is not supplied with the subscription.			

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50 years MUMMENSCHANZ

Which other Swiss artist or theatre troupe has enjoyed uninterrupted success and such a high profile for 50 years – not just in Switzerland, but around the world? MUMMENSCHANZ has not only created its very own art form, but has also become part of Swiss cultural heritage.

The unique performance draws on the tradition of pantomime and silent mask art. The nationally and internationally acclaimed troupe brings simple materials to life, touches hearts, sparks its audiences' imaginations and makes people laugh with subtle humour. The MUMMENSCHANZ theatre troupe has toured all over the world, raising Switzerland's profile abroad.

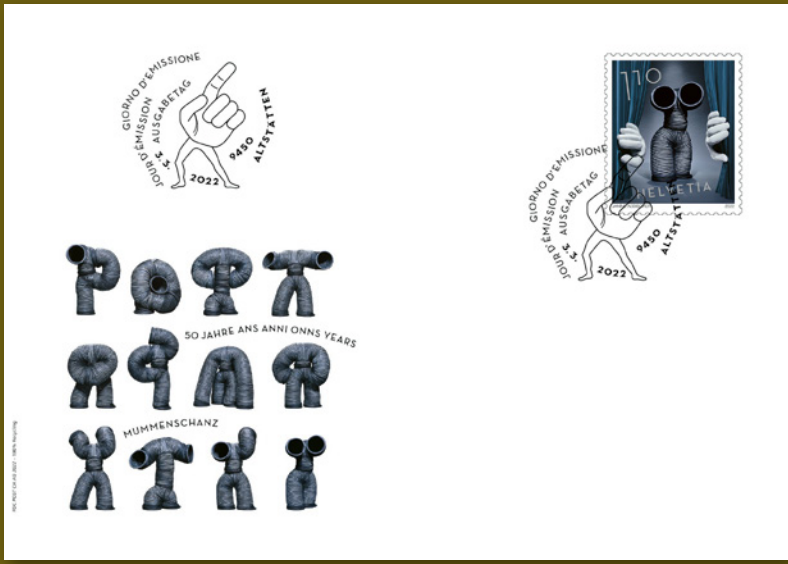
The tour featuring the programme in celeration of the troupe's 50th anniversary is already under way and will visit around 30 venues in all linguistic regions of Switzerland, before travelling around the world. It's packed with the best-known and most popular sketches from a vast repertoire spanning the past 50 years.

The special stamp celebrates two of MUMMENSCHANZ's most famous figures: "Giant Hands" opens the curtains for "Slinkyman". The stamp has been enhanced with hot foil stamping.

A year-long exhibition is being held at the Historisches und Völkerkundemuseum St. Gallen (Historical and Folklore Museum of St. Gallen). The vernissage will be held on 13 April.

Exclusive customer event with stamp presentation at the show in Winterthur on 4 March: 25×2 tickets to be won at **www.swisspost.ch/mummenschanz-competition**.

Sheetlet of 8 stamps



Single stamp on first-day cover C6

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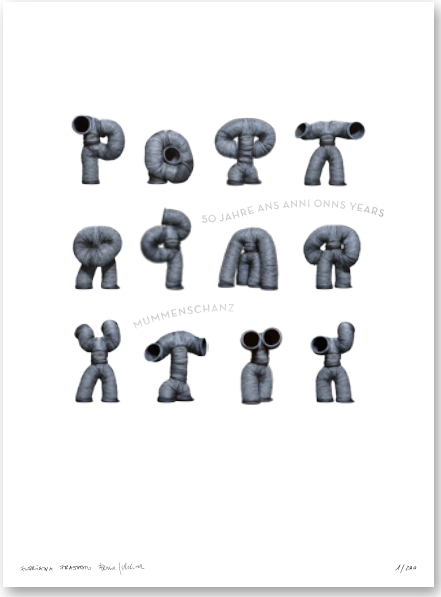
Validity	Unlimited from 3.3.2022
Printing	Offset, 4-colour and hot foil stamping; Cartor Security Printing, La Loupe, France
Sizes	Stamps: 28×33 mm Sheetlet: 192×115 mm (2 rows of 4 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, matt gummed, 110 gm²
Perforation	13 ½ : 13 ¼
Design	Janine Aebischer, Zürich



Art print

Art print

A limited run of 200 matching art prints on handmade paper (250 gm²) is available. Each of these works of art is hand-signed and numbered by MUMMENSCHANZ. The sheet size is 265 × 360 mm. The product has been enhanced by hot foil stamping in silver.

It is supplied unframed. The selling price is 139 francs, including shipping costs within Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein. Deliveries cannot be made abroad.

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Single stamp	A395 150	A395 550	1.10
Block of four	A395 160	A395 560	4.40
Sheetlet of 8 stamps	A395 311	A395 351	8.80
Covers			
Single stamp on first-day cover C6		A395 580	2.00
Block of four on first-day cover C6		A395 630	5.30
Sheetlet on first-day cover C5		A395 590	10.00
Unstamped covers/sheetlets C6 (162 × 114 mm) C5 (229 × 162 mm)	 A395 700 A395 701		 0.90 1.20
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A395 640	A395 650	1.90
Art print			
Sheet size 265 × 360 mm	A395 900		139.00
The art print is not supplied with the subscription.			

125 years Chimney Sweeper Switzerland

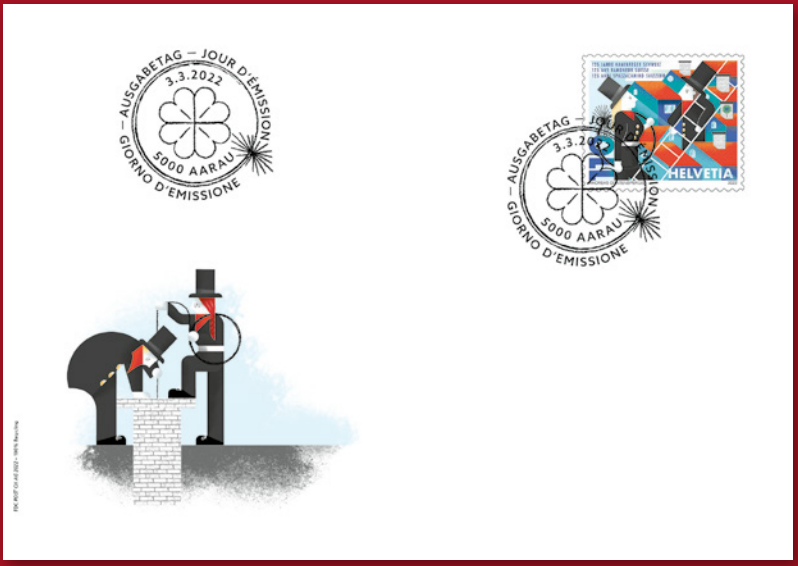
This year, the Chimney Sweeper Switzerland association is celebrating its 125th anniversary. The special stamp issued to mark the occasion features a black scratch-off coating: the sender or recipient can clean the chimney on the stamp!

A master chimney sweepers' association was founded as a cooperative back in 1897, but it was disbanded shortly afterwards. The association that exists to the present day was later founded in 1917. The work performed by chimney sweepers – 30 percent of whom are women – helps to protect the environment, ensure fire safety and improve air quality.

The special stamp is an illustration of a woman and a man in traditional costume with the typical tools of the trade. The chimneys that can be seen on the rooftops are black as soot but can be scratched clean. The clover leaf brings luck on the roofs – with or without soot.

The sheet also contains self-adhesive lucky charms. In addition to the chimney sweeper's top hat, the charms also include a ladybird, a 1-centime coin and a four-leaf clover. As long ago as the Middle Ages, chimney sweepers were seen as bringers of good fortune, because they protected people from poisoning and fire by unblocking their chimneys. They also evidently had no fear of dark chimneys, where spectres were believed to live. Touching a chimney sweeper was believed to bring good luck in the New Year.

Sheet of 10 stamps and stickers



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Validity	Unlimited from 3.3.2022
Printing	Offset, four-colour and scratch-off coating; Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	Stamps: 33×28 mm Sheet: 100×198 mm (open), 100 ×99 mm (folded) (5 rows of 2 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm²
Perforation	Serpentine cut (4 sides)
Design	Andreas Güntensperger, Baden

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Single stamp	A398 150	A398 550	1.10
Block of four	A398 160	A398 560	4.40
Sheet of 10 stamps	A398 361	A398 381	11.00
Covers			
Single stamp on first-day cover C6		A398 580	2.00
Block of four on first-day cover C6		A398 630	5.30
Unstamped cover C6	A398 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A398 640	A398 650	1.90

Why a top hat?

Damp wood was often burned during the 17th and 18th centuries. This created more soot and heat, which increased the risk of fire. The sweepers had to clear the soot regularly. While at work, they had the opportunity to see how people lived and what possessions they owned. To remind them not to gossip about what they had seen, they were given top hats, which were actually reserved for the upper classes at that time. Due to this history, chimney sweepers take great pride in the trust which was and still is placed in them.

Verzasca TI

Aare BE

Rhine GR

Swiss river landscapes

Swiss Post increased the prices of A and B Mail letters and of other mail items on 1 January 2022. The stamps containing the new values are now also available. They are dedicated to Swiss river landscapes.

They are the pearls in Switzerland's highly varied landscape. As the reservoir of Europe, the sources of some of the continent's major rivers are found within Switzerland's borders. But there are also breathtaking landscapes to admire along the lower stretches of these bodies of water. The renowned landscape photographer Andreas Gerth has captured some of this scenery for Swiss Post's new definitive stamps. "Places of remarkable scenic and natural beauty" is how they are described in the Federal Inventory of Landscapes and Natural Monuments of National Importance.

The stamp for B Mail letters, now costing 90 centimes, features a spectacular image of the Verzasca in Brione. The A Mail stamp, now worth 1.10 francs, shows a beautiful section of the Aare near Rubigen in the Canton of Bern. The franking for 1.80 centimes features the Rhine in Chur while it still resembles an Alpine river. The magnificent green banks of the Doubs at Le Theusseret in the Doubs Nature Park illustrate the franking for 2.30 francs. The new 4-franc stamp for small goods consignments in Europe presents the Rhone in Varen in a mysterious twilight atmosphere.

Order using an order form or at postshop.ch

Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Set	A390 150	A390 550	10.10
Set of blocks of four	A390 160	A390 560	40.40
Sheet of 50 stamps			
0.90 Verzasca TI	A390 366	A390 381	
1.10 Aare BE	A390 367	A390 382	55.00
Sheet of 10 stamps			
1.80 Rhine GR	A390 363	A390 383	18.00
2.30 Doubs JU	A390 364	A390 384	23.00
4.00 Rhone VS	A390 365	A390 385	40.00
Covers			
Set on first-day cover C6		A390 580	11.00
Single stamp on first-day cover C6 (5 covers)		A390 600	14.60
Block of four on first-day cover C6 (5 covers)		A390 630	44.90
Unstamped cover C6	A390 700		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A390 640	A390 650	10.90
Stamp booklets			
10 "Verzasca TI" self-adhesive stamps	A390 300	A390 800	9.00
10 "Aare BE" self-adhesive stamps	A390 301	A390 801	11.00

Doubs JU

Rhone VS

Set on first-day cover C6

Stamp booklets

Technical information	
Sales	Mint stamps Philately/branches: from 20.12.2021 until further notice Philatelic products Philately: from 24.2.2022 until further notice
Validity	Unlimited from 1.1.2022
Printing	Offset CHF 1.10 Aare BE: 6-colour and Iriodin coating Other stamps: 5-colour and Iriodin coating Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	CHF 0.90 Verzasca TI: Stamps: 33×28 mm, business sheet: 180×380 mm (open), 180×95 mm (folded) (10 rows of 5 stamps) CHF 1.10 Aare BE: Stamps: 33×38 mm, business sheet: 180×500 mm (open), 180×125 mm (folded) (10 rows of 5 stamps) CHF 1.80 Rhine GR, CHF 2.30 Doubs JU, CHF 4.00 Rhone VS: Stamps: 33×28 mm, business sheet: 82×198 mm (open), 82×99 mm (folded) (5 rows of 2 stamps) Stamp booklet: CHF 0.90 Verzasca TI: 183×62 mm (open) CHF 1.10 Aare BE: 183×84 mm (open)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm² (sheet) or 220 gm² (stamp booklet)
Perforation	Serpentine cut (4 sides)
Design	Andreas Gerth, Binningen

Supplementary stamps

Coins

5 centimes

10 centimes

To provide anyone who still has old definitive stamps with an elegant way of using them, Swiss Post is issuing three supplementary values. Their design is wonderfully simple.

20 centimes

When the designer's task is to symbolize the values of 5, 10 and 20 centimes, what could be more appropriate than depicting the relevant Swiss coins? This enables you to identify the value of the stamp quickly and clearly. The brief also called for the three stamps to be recognizable as a set, while ensuring slight differentiation between the individual designs. While the coins are always positioned in exactly the same way, they are immediately distinguishable by their different colour schemes.

Designer Marc Weller was keen to make the metallic quality of the coins tangible by using a realistic photographic style. The exceptionally intricate ornamentation surrounding the numbers is also highlighted: vines for the 5-centime coin, oak leaves for 10 centimes and Alpine roses for 20 centimes.

The franking amount is not explicitly included in the design, as it is more than clear from the value of the coins. Only the word "Helvetia" has been added.

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Stamps			
Set	A391 150	A391 550	0.35
Set of blocks of four	A391 160	A391 560	1.40
Sheet of 10 stamps			
5 centimes	A391 361	A391 381	0.50
10 centimes	A391 362	A391 382	1.00
20 centimes	A391 363	A391 383	2.00
Covers			
Set on first-day cover C6		A391 580	1.25
Single stamp on first-day cover C6 (3 covers)		A391 600	3.05
Block of four on first-day cover C6 (3 covers)		A391 630	4.10
Unstamped cover C6	A391 701		0.90
Folder/collection sheet			
A5	A391 640	A391 650	1.15

Set on first-day cover C6

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Validity	Unlimited from 1.1.2022
Printing	Offset, 5-colour and Iriodin coating; Joh. Enschedé, Haarlem, Netherlands
Sizes	Stamps: 28×33 mm Sheet: 82×198 mm (open), 82×99 mm (folded) (5 rows of 2 stamps)
Paper	White stamp paper with optical brightener, self-adhesive, on backing paper, 196 gm²
Perforation	Serpentine cut (4 sides)
Design	Marc Weller, Bern

Pre-franked envelopes

Pre-franked envelopes are extremely handy and lighten the workload for both business and private customers. These envelopes have been adapted to the new face values and continue the tradition of wonderful images of animals typically found in Switzerland.

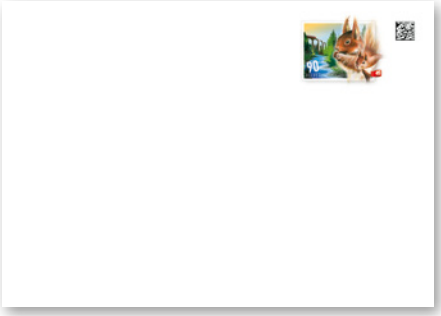
The designs are once again in harmony with nature – whether it's cows raised as livestock or squirrels and swans living in the wild. They are all depicted with a young animal, which will hopefully warm the heart.

Featured on the 90-centime face value, the squirrel is a popular figure. Its habitat is not just recreational spaces, but often also commercial or protected forests. The fern, a plant that together with other primordial plants formed huge forests 360 to 300 million years ago, was selected as a symbol.

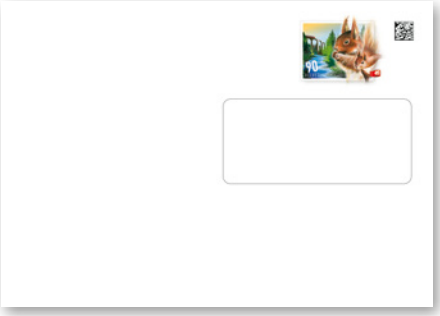
Face value of 1.10 francs: the cow – for Swiss people, at least – is also a popular animal and one that's symbolic of Switzerland. The landscape represents appreciation for biodiversity, as do the meadow flowers, which provide food for insects, livestock and wild animals.

The franking of 2.10 francs depicts the elegant swan in splendid white, set against wonderful lake scenery. The fossil depicted is a testament to the creation of Switzerland's mountains. The spiral is also a symbol of change and development.

Overview of products



C5 envelope without window, CHF 0.90, Squirrel



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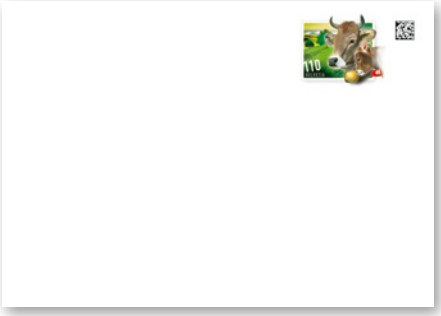

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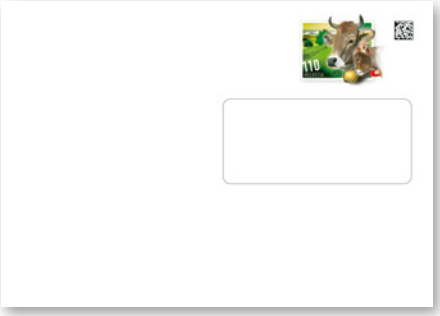

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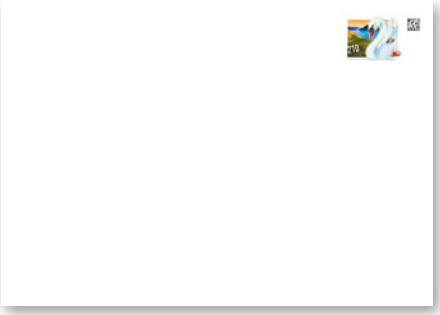

B4 envelope without window, CHF 2.10, Swan

Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Covers			
Pre-franked "Squirrel" envelope, CHF 0.90, (10 pack) C5, with window	A393 867		11.00
Pre-franked "Squirrel" envelope, CHF 0.90, (10 pack) C5, without window	A393 866		11.00
Pre-franked "Cow" envelope, CHF 1.10, (10 pack) C5, with window	A393 869		13.00
Pre-franked "Cow" envelope, CHF 1.10, (10 pack) C5, without window	A393 868		13.00
Pre-franked "Swan" envelope, CHF 2.10, (10 pack) B4, without window	A393 870		23.50
Individual cancelled pre-franked products can be purchased using the enclosed order form. Pre-franked products are not supplied with the subscription.			

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Validity	Unlimited from 1.1.2022
Design	Judith Bellwald, Flond

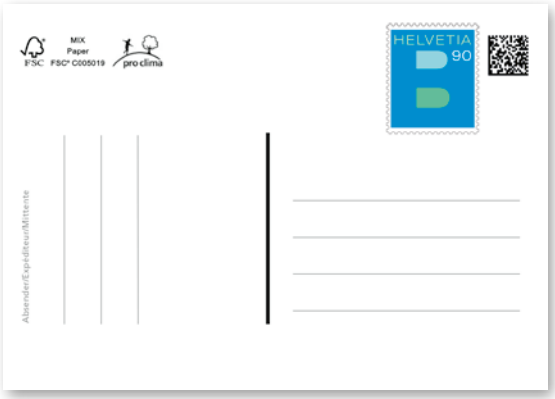
Pre-franked postcards

Pre-franked postcards with blank fronts are an elegant solution for sending someone a message quickly and easily, or maybe for telling them about a change of address. They are now also available with the new franking for A and B Mail.

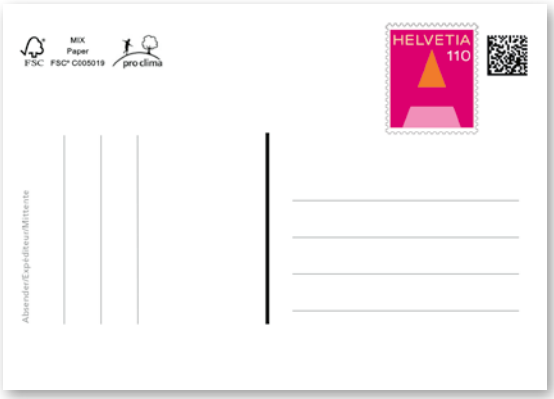
The new A and B Mail special stamps by the Bernese graphic artist Gerhard Blättler were presented in early 2021. With the higher face values introduced on 1 January 2022, these designs now adorn the pre-franked postcards.

The stamp designer sought to achieve maximum impact with its small format. He achieved this by reducing the letters "A" and "B" to their inner spaces. The red tones of the A Mail stamp represent vibrancy and urgency, whereas the B Mail stamp's cooler blue shades convey a sense of calm.

Since 1991, customers of Swiss Post – which was then still called PTT – have been able to choose the speed at which their mail is delivered: A Mail for next-day delivery, B Mail for less urgent items. Originally set at 50 and 80 centimes, new tariffs were introduced in 1993, 1995 and now 2022. Over a quarter of all letters are currently sent as A Mail.



"B Mail" postcard



"A Mail" postcard

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Product	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Postcards			
Pre-franked "B Mail" postcard (10 pack)	A392 843		11.00
Pre-franked "A Mail" postcard (10 pack)	A392 844		13.00

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Validity	Unlimited from 1.1.2022
Design	Gerhard Blättler, Bern

Colourful stamps

Issue set with single stamps 1/2022

Issue set with first-day covers (FDC) 1/2022

Annual and special products	Mint	Cancelled	Price in CHF
Issue set with single stamps 1/2022			
The single stamps and sets in the 1/2022 issue are displayed on a free A5 backing card and protected with cellophane wrapping.	A402 150	A402 550	24.95
Issue set with first-day covers (FDC) 1/2022			
The first-day covers with single stamps and sets in the 1/2022 issue are combined in one free cover.		A402 580	32.15
2021 year book			
Representing a valuable record of our times, the year book presents all Swiss stamps and first-day cancellations for 2021, along with an exclusive black print, on over 100 pages in four languages (de/fr/it/en).	A379 830	A379 831	69.00
2021 year set			
All Swiss stamps for 2021, clearly laid out on four handy display cards with transparent protective sleeve.	A380 320	A380 820	60.50
2021 year set with first-day covers (FDC)			
All the year's first-day covers – including the single stamps, sets or miniature sheets with the respective first-day cancellations.		A380 530	89.40

Possible delivery delays for philately items from the 1/2022 issue
Due to the ongoing raw material shortage, production is taking longer for philately items from the 1/2022 issue. This may mean that delivery to you is delayed. Thank you for your understanding.

2022 stamp catalogues	Item no.	Price in CHF
Zumstein		
Switzerland/Liechtenstein/UN Geneva 2022, German/French	A368 725	35.00
Swiss stamp catalogue		
Switzerland 2022, German/French	A368 787	27.00
The stamp catalogues can be delivered in Switzerland and Liechtenstein only.		

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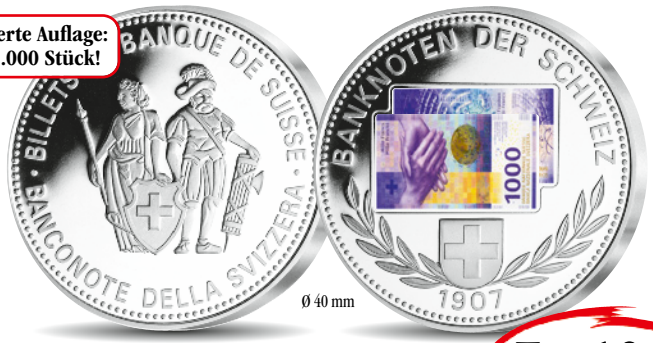

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